



CITY OF CANAL WINCHESTER

COMMUNITY CONNECTION NEWSLETTER



A Message from the Mayor...

What a difference a year makes! Last year during the month of June, temperatures were boiling in the upper 80's and 90's. This past June we were doing good to make it to 80 degrees and had rain in the forecast nearly every day with several severe thunderstorms, tornado warnings and flash flood warnings. I witnessed water standing in places that I have never seen water stand previously. Keep in mind, if you see standing water in the roadway, it may not be safe to cross. Heavy rains that create water running across a street or road can cause washouts of the surface and create deep voids in the road surface as well. If a road or street is posted as closed due to high water, it could be because the surface has washed out or the water is deeper than most vehicles will withstand-including SUV's and Pickup Trucks. Remember: **Turn Around, Don't Drown.**

Our first ever Touch-a-Truck Night in the Stradley Greenspace was a big success. City Trucks and loaders, Fire Trucks, Emergency Vehicles, Police and Sheriff Vehicles all were on hand for the kids to get up close with and actually have the opportunity to operate some of the features of the vehicles. We had a huge crowd with nice weather and we are hoping to do this again next year.

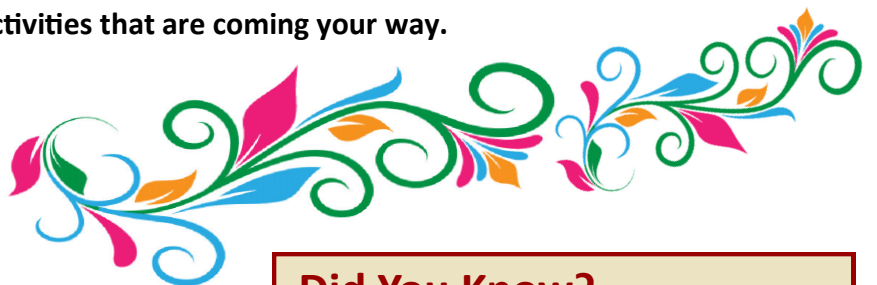
Music in the Park kicked-off in June with a little bit of country. The next Music in the Park will be on July 19th with the Gas Pump Jockeys appearing and playing top favorites from the 50's, 60's and 70's. The night will also bring some of Canal Winchester's finest Show Cars at the Stradley Park Greenspace. The cars will be competing for Mayor's Choice, Queens' Choice, Band's Choice, People's Choice and Furthest Traveled. Be sure to come on out; this will be the last Music in the Park event of the year.

Next up will be the Canal Winchester Blues & Ribfest on Friday, July 26th and Saturday, July 27th. Be sure you join us in our Historic Downtown for some of the best Blues artists you will ever hear and the absolute best ribs in the Midwest! Five Rib vendors will once again vie for a huge trophy and bragging rights to become the next Blues & Ribfest Champion.

Just a few weeks after the smoke has cleared, get yourself ready for the last major event of the summer. The Canal Winchester Labor Day Festival will be celebrating its 99th year on August 31st, September 1st and 2nd and is sure to be fun for the whole family. The Festival's featured performer will be Josh Logan of TV's *The Voice*. Josh will be appearing Saturday evening at 8pm. Shucking Bubba Deluxe will appear Sunday at 8pm. Several other local bands will be playing throughout the festival as well. The Columbus Zoo Animals and COSI will each be back for the third year in a row; they like it here! You won't want to miss the Sunday Car Show which expects 200 or more of the finest Cars and Trucks you will see anywhere. The Historical Society will be providing an Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social at the Train Station on Sunday from 2pm to 4pm and the CW band will be performing there throughout the social.

Hope you enjoy the summer and all of the activities that are coming your way.

Mayor Mike



Don't forget!
The Canal Winchester Pool offers
mid-season reduced memberships after July 5.
Discount rates may be found on the city's website.

Coming Soon...

Jul 12 Movie in the Park	Saturdays Farmers' Market (through Sept)
Jul 19 Music in the Park	Aug 9 Movie in the Park
Jul 20 Dr. Bender 5K Classic	Aug 31, Sept 1, & 2 Labor Day Festival
Jul 26 & 27 Blues & Ribfest	Sept 1 Pool Closes

Check website for additional dates



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Did You Know?



You can sign up for alerts & notifications, report problems or concerns, rent a facility, view council agendas & minutes, and more on our website!



Stay Connected & Engaged

Stormdrains — "Only Rain Down the Drain"

Do you ever notice the storm drains along the side of the street as you’re driving? Did you know these drains play an integral role in healthy streams and rivers, as well as drinking water?

When it rains, water running off our roofs, driveways, sidewalks, and parking lots into our streets is directed into these storm drains and begins its journey to the nearest waterway. Often this is a direct journey, with the storm sewer running straight to a river or stream. Stormwater picks up oil, other automobile fluids, trash, fertilizer and other pollutants and in many areas is discharged untreated into our streams. Even when this water passes through a pond or other stormwater feature, pollutants are not entirely removed and still make their way to our waterways.

We swim, wade, kayak and fish in these rivers and streams. Moreover, people rely on these bodies of water for their drinking water. The vast majority of people in the Columbus metropolitan area drink water taken from reservoirs that are connected to our rivers and streams. The more pollutants that go into our streams, the more money we have to spend to clean the water we drink.

Protecting our Streams is Everyone's Job:

Often we think of the people who live along streams as those most responsible for taking care of these vital waterways. We need to realize that, in a way, all of us live along streams. Because every stormwater inlet is in effect the edge of a stream. As the old saying goes “What goes in....”.

What Can We Do?

- Sweep grass clippings and lawn care products back onto the lawn.
- Pick up trash.
- Wash your car at a commercial car wash.
- Absorb and clean up and auto fluid spills.
- Fix leaking automobiles.
- Use drip pans to catch engine oil and other pollutants while repairing cars & recycle used motor oil.
- Sweep driveways clean instead of hosing them down.
- When walking your pet remember to pick up the waste.
- Record and report illegal dumping down storm drains.
- Don't dump waste into storm drains.
- Water your lawn by hand, or adjusted sprinklers to avoid over-watering. If any water flows off your lawn, you're using too much water.



City News & Events

Vacation Check Service

Do your summer plans include a vacation? Before leaving, consider filling out a *Vacation Check Request* form. Vacation property checks are a free service offered by the Fairfield County Sheriff. Gain piece of mind by having your property checked while you’re away. For complete program details, visit the Fairfield County Sheriff’s website sheriff.fairfield.oh.us/vacationcheck.htm

Music in the Park — Jul 19

Our final concert includes a cruise-in car show, music by the Gas Pump Jockeys, & other family-friendly activities at Stradley Park from 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Blues & Ribfest — Jul 26&27

The 10th Annual Canal Winchester Blues & Ribfest happens in historic downtown Canal Winchester on Friday, July 26th and Saturday, July 27th. Join us for great music, great food, and great fun! For more information, visit Canal Winchester Blues & Ribfest online at bluesandribfest.com.

Heat Safety for Older Adults

Please make sure to check in on your elderly friends and neighbors during hot weather. Older adults are at a greater risk for heat stroke and dehydration.

Movie in the Park — Aug 9

Bring a blanket and snacks on Friday, August 9th for a screening of the hit movie *How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World*.

The movie will begin around 9:00 P.M. Picnics are welcome!

Labor Day Festival — Aug 31, Sept 1 & 2


Don’t miss the 99th Annual Labor Day Festival! Festival attractions will include the annual Labor Day Parade, live entertainment, a car show, ice cream social, quilt show, midway rides, and more! For the latest festival information, visit cwlaborday.org !

Farmers’ Market— Thru Sept

The Canal Winchester Farmers' Market runs Saturday mornings 9:00 A.M. to 12: 00 P.M. through Sept (rain or shine).

The market will be closed on July 27th for the Blues & Ribfest and on August 31st for the Canal Winchester Labor Day Festival.

City Phone Numbers



Main Number	614-837-7493
Clerk of Council	614-837-7493
Clerk of Court	614-837-7691
Community Affairs	614-834-9915
Community Center.....	614-837-8276
Construction Services	614-834-5109
Development Department	614-837-1894
Finance Department	614-837-6937
Human Resources	614-834-5118
Mayor Michael Ebert	614-837-7493
Public Service Department	614-834-5100
Water 614-837-5623	
After-Hours Phone 614-837-7478	
Streets, Lands, & Buildings 614-524-0163	
Urban Forestry 614-834-5110	
Waste Treatment 614-837-2254	
After-Hours Phone 614-837-7478	
Utility Clerk	614-837-7716
Sheriff Substation	614-837-7478

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